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MEETING WITH PRESIDENT THIEU, APRIL 7, 1972

1. On February 21, I informed you that we had received an invitation from the other side for a meeting at any time after March 15. We informed them that we would be ready to meet with them on March 20. Luke intended to make no new proposals and simply adopt a listening attitude to see what the other side had to say about our proposal.

2. On March 10, I informed you that the other side had informed us that they wanted to postpone the meeting scheduled for March 20 to April 15, giving as their reasons our heavy air activity in North Viet-Nam. We proposed to suggest a new date sometime after April 15.

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